COCHIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Thursday, the *13th of August 1931.*
28th of Karkadagam 1106.

The House met only at half-past twelve, being New Moon day. The President was in the chair. Messrs. K. G. Nayar, Joseph Petta, K. T. Mathew, P. I. Varugis and P. K. Subramania Ayyar were absent.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Chengalur Road.

181. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—(a) Will the Government be pleased to state the total amount allotted and spent every year from 1101 up-to-date for the Chengalur road; how many times the allotment was made and peg-marked by the P. W. D.;

(b) how much money was spent for investigation and peg-marking in the shape of T. A.. etc., up till now;

(c) will the whole file regarding this road be placed on the Council Table?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.— (a) No amounts were allotted in 1101 and 1102. The following amounts were allotted in the Panchayat budgets for the subsequent years.—

	Rs.
1103	975
1104	3,420
1105	3,420
1106	2,000

The allotment for 1103 and 1104 lapsed. The allotment for 1105 was placed to the credit of contribution works. The allotment for 1106 will also be so placed.

(b) A sum of Rs. 327—14—0 has been spent by the Public Works Department till now, for meeting the survey and investigation charges.

(c) Files on the subject are placed on the Council Table.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.— 'The allotment for 1105 was placed to the credit of contribution works'—what is meant by that? Will this amount be utilised for this work only?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—Contribution works are works for which funds have been transferred from one department to another. In the case of the P. W. D, these are works

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for which provision has been made in another department and transferred to the Public Works.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will this amount be utilised for the Chengalur road works? Is it already spent? Here it is said that the allotment for 1106 will also be so placed.

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—The work may be carried on; but at the present moment we cannot say for certain whether the amounts so transferred will also lapse.

Space for College.

182. Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Will the Government be pleased to state how many square feet of floor space have been demanded by the Professors and made provision for by the Government for the several subjects of the College course (a) at Ramavarmapuram (b) at Ernakulam?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—A statement containing the information is placed on the Council Table.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Sir, will the Government be pleased to tell me what is the total number of square space provided for Ramavarmapuram College and that for the Ernakulam College?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—The amount is all given in the statement placed on the table and if the Member adds it up, you can get the information. I have not added up the figures myself.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Government seems to be rather shy to print as appendix the information that are favourable for the location of the College at Ramavarmapuram. 1,11,320 at Ramavarmapuram and 84,390 at Ernakulam, are these figures true?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—I am not in a position to say whether these are correct. (*Vide Appendix, A for statement*).

Bridge over Viyyur Thodu.

183. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether representations have been made to Government for putting up a bridge over the Viyyur thodu connecting the villages of Viyyur and Peringavu?

(b) whether any enquiry has been made regarding the same;

(c) what are the conclusions arrived at?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—(a) Yes.

(b) Yes.

(c) To carry out the work when funds are available.

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